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What a haul



Heather Moyse, left, and Kaillie Humphries, second right, of Canada 1 celebrate gold and Helen Upperton, second left, and Shelley-Ann Brown, right, of Canada 2 celebrate silver after the women's bobsleigh yesterday on Day 13 of the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics at the Whistler Sliding Centre. **More coverage, page 14.**

Four medals and a quarter-final hockey win on lucky Day 13

All the hand-wringing and worry became a distant memory yesterday as a polished Team Canada devastated Russia's defence and neutralized its top scorers, summarily dispatching the hockey superpower 7-3 from the Olympic men's hockey tournament.

But that was only the beginning. Within minutes of

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

the end of the game, Canada's female bobsledders were dominating on a different kind of ice, racing to a gold-silver finish in the women's two-man event at the Whistler Sliding Centre.

Kaillie Humphries of Calgary and Heather Moyse of

Summerside, P.E.I., claimed gold, edging teammates Helen Upperton of Calgary and Shelley-Ann Brown of Pickering, Ont., giving Canada its first-ever medals in women's bobsled.

Combined with a bronze for speedskater Clara Hughes in the women's 5,000 metres and a surprise silver in the women's 3,000-metre short-track relay, it made

for a four-medal day — the best for Canada so far at the Vancouver Olympics.

The hockey win had a particularly vengeful flavour for Team Canada, which was eliminated by Russia 2-0 in the quarter-finals four years ago in Turin. It was also the first Canadian win over Russia in an Olympic matchup since 1960. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Women's hockey, men's aericals in finals, as rinks start semis

OLYMPICS Some of Canada's strongest teams take to the curling and hockey rinks today for the medal rounds after dominating round-robin performances.

Women's and men's curling rinks play in their semi-final matches at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. respectively, after going a combined 17-1 in the round-robin.

After four "warm-up" matches where they outscored their opponents 46-2, Canada faces off against the U.S. in the gold medal women's hockey

game at 3:30 p.m.

Capping off the day, three Canadians take flight in men's aericals finals at 6 p.m.

**GREG DOWNS/
FOR METRO VANCOUVER**

Russia down Rivals stopped



Rick Nash celebrates scoring the third of Team Canada's four first-period goals against Russia at Canada Hockey Place last night. Canada won 7-3. **Story, page 14.**

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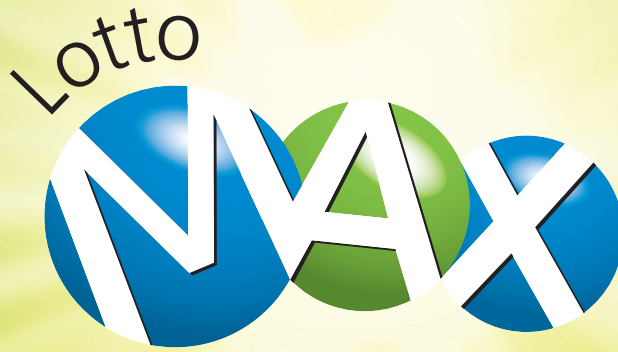
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Buttons make good conversation starters: Blogger

ONLINE For some, the Olympic Games have been all about making new connections. Metro-Blenz News Squad bloggers share some of the new links they've made:

- The "Ask Me!" buttons available at libraries and other public places are a great way to be helpful and make connections during the Games, writes blogger Monika Becker.

"Sometimes people just start a conversation because they are curious about the buttons and what they mean, or they want to know how to pronounce the different languages on them. Regardless of what motivated these people to approach me — the outcome was exactly what I had hoped for: Connection with strangers."

—Monika Becker

- Blogger David Hutchison writes about a special moment made possible because of the Olympics.

"Today, my wife, Linda, touched Canada's holy grail, the Stanley Cup. For our family and friends, this will be a moment of conversation for years to come. The Olympics have made it happen for my wife and thousands of others."

—David Hutchison

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Photo of the Day RCMP in demand



RCMP officers patrol Whistler Village on horseback. The sergeant Mounties say they're being hugged by thousands of people eager to pose with the living symbols of Canada. Until March 1, Metro will publish a Photo of the Day submitted by a reader or member of the Metro-Blenz News Squad. Send your submissions to vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

Olympians Bilodeau, Heil give thousands to charity

SKIERS Canadian silver medalist Jennifer Heil and gold medalist Alexandre Bilodeau are donating \$25,000 each to charities.

The Olympic skiers announced their personal donations at the British Columbia Media Centre in Vancouver yesterday and hope that their generosity inspires others.

Heil, who travelled to Burkina Faso in Africa in 2008, is aiding the Plan Canada program Because I am a Girl, which helps lift young girls out of poverty.

"I've had the power in my hands to help and many young girls don't have that same power," said Heil. "We want to make this

Canada's most giving Games ever."

Bilodeau announced he is making a donation to the Canadian Association of Pediatric Health Centres for cerebral palsy. His older brother has cerebral palsy and is a big inspiration to him.

"I've seen people who can only speak by moving their head and speaking through a computer, but they have a smile and don't complain," said Bilodeau.

The pair said they have the ability to give back and if others were to help in their own way it would make a difference.

JESSICA BELL/
FOR METRO VANCOUVER

Parents seek help locating missing actor

The parents of actor Andrew Koenig, who is presumably missing in Vancouver, pleaded for help in finding their son yesterday.

Walter Koenig — who is best-known for his role as Pavel Chekov in the original Star Trek series — said his son suffers from depression.

"I request even during these extraordinary times ... if the population can take one more step and try to be aware that we have a son, Andrew Koenig, who is presently missing, who's state of emotional health may not be very good," said Walter.

Andrew, who played Boner on the TV show Growing Pains, was reported missing on Feb. 16, but was last seen in Toronto on Feb. 14.

When asked if his son was suicidal, Walter said, "It's almost impossible not to explore that possibility ... and it is certainly something that has tortured (him)."

He added that Andrew stopped taking his anti-depressants about a year ago and started selling off all of



Walter Koenig

his possessions.

"Our son has always found (Vancouver) to be at least a second home, if not actually a first home for him," Walter said.

Vancouver police Const. Tim Fanning said the hundreds of Olympic security cameras installed around the city probably can't do much in the search.

"Sometimes video surveillance can help us, but with this many people I would say it's closer to a hindrance."

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News in brief

FARES B.C. Ferry fares are going up April 1 by \$1.75 on the major routes between Vancouver Island and the mainland,

and by \$3.30 on the round trip between Horseshoe Bay and the Sunshine Coast.

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Obviously the Olympic road closures, and lane restrictions will be in effect until next week.

Most closures and re-

strictions will be lifted on March 2 — a lot of the other minor closures could be picked up before that date depending on what's involved. The Sea-to-Sky Highway restrictions will be in effect until Sunday.

As major routes begin to reopen and traffic returns to "normal," expect delays, especially around the downtown area, until all routes are fully functional again.

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Remember that some closures will remain in effect for the Paralympic Games with the opening ceremonies March 12, when we'll see the Cambie Street Bridge close again. In the next couple of

days, expect more of what we saw last weekend. Including long waits to get into venues downtown, packed transit services and pedestrian corridors.

The Cambie Street Bridge will shut down on

Sunday for the closing ceremonies from 8 a.m. until midnight. Watch for slowdowns on Hastings, Pender and Powell.

Broadway will also see extra traffic, but with it being a Sunday, we shouldn't see the heavy volume that we did on that Friday of the opening ceremonies.

Watch Michel weekday mornings on Breakfast Television and her nightly Traffic Forecasts on Citytv, cable 13.

News in brief

DUI B.C. Premier Gordon Campbell said he will not ask Jane Thorthwaite to resign as an MLA despite being caught drinking and driving, cknw.com reports. Campbell said he'd hoped people had learned their lessons after he had been caught drinking and driving.

HOCKEY Team Canada's win over Germany was watched by 7.4 million domestic viewers.

TRUCK A driverless, runaway pickup was halted by an RCMP officer in Surrey, who chased the vehicle, broke the window and pulled the emergency brake. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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BREWERY Some winning athletes get handed a bottle of champagne, but Canadian medallists are receiving a bottle of beer — and they're not your average 12-ounce.

At Molson Canadian Hockey House, Canada's top athletes are being given what the beer company calls a Jeroboam of Molson Canadian.

The Jeroboam is a three-litre jug, shaped like an oversized champagne bottle. It could probably even pose a challenge for Jon Montgomery — who has become known for chugging a pitcher of beer after his skeleton win at Whistler Village.

Montgomery, along with Maëlle Ricker, Mike Robertson and Alexandre Bilodeau have already re-



Canadian skeleton gold medallist Jon Montgomery lifts a Jeroboam of Molson Canadian.

ceived their rare bottles, which are not for sale to the public. Each Canadian to reach the podium finish

will receive a bottle signed by seventh-generation Molson family member Geoff Molson.

Food writer taking on eateries that tack tips onto tourists' bills

DINING Tourists usually expect to pay more during the Olympics, but Vancouverites are finding out some of their favourite haunts are automatically adding tips — ranging from 15-20 per cent and usually calculated after tax.

Rick Green, a freelance Vancouver writer who focuses on cuisine and travel, is using his Twitter account to expose restaurants that have been adding auto-gratuities so diners don't tip twice.

"The Olympics is our time to shine and I think this puts a blot on the sunlight," he said.

One restaurant on Green's "nice" list is Vij's, the reliably packed hotspot that the New York Times once placed "among the finest Indian restau-

Sales up at restaurants

- Sales at restaurants in Yal-town were up 128 per cent over the first week of the Olympics, according to restaurant and retail software com-

pany Vivotnet.

- Downtown Vancouver posted an 89.4 per cent increase and Whistler saw a 44.2 per cent boost.

rants in the world."

Owner Vikram Vij isn't slipping a gratuity automatically onto his bills, and his menu prices have not changed. He feels strongly about the reasons why, calling such policies "unfair." "I have a lot of local regulars coming into the restaurant, and they expect to be treated as they're treated all year round," Vij said.

"The bottom line is we were here to showcase our food. We want to be the best host, we want a long-term relationship, not

a one-time relationship"

The primary reason cited by restaurants for the auto-gratuity practice is that the city is flush with foreign visitors, some of whom hail from countries where tips are automatically included in the bill, or not provided at all.

But Green argued that most of the visitors in Vancouver are North Americans who are used to tipping and are far less accustomed to having gratuities automatically — even subtly — tacked onto their bills.

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Real-estate market expected to boom in spring: Report

A hot spring real-estate market is expected after an increase of 152 per cent in January sales compared to the same period last year, according to a Re/Max report released yesterday. The sharp increase in home purchases is being attributed to a forecast of high interest rates and the impending HST implementation in B.C. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Mclvor speaks after golden triumph

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2010 Games

Watching boyfriend Chris Del Bosco crash on the very course that would lead her to Olympic ski-cross gold two days later is just a part of the Games,

says Ashleigh Mclvor.

"I was standing there saying, 'Chill, Chris, just chill, you've got the bronze,'" said the Whistler native. "It's so funny because that's not the way he thinks. But it's inevitable that people are going to go down."

A humble Mclvor spoke

to the media in a press conference yesterday, fielding questions ranging from university essays to the controversial Own the Podium (OTP) program, which she said was the secret to Canadian success in ski cross.

"The whole bunch of funding we got from OTP al-

lowed us to train starts like the ones we had all summer," said Mclvor. "Well, maybe not all summer, but a couple of times for sure."

Even though Mclvor may be the one in their relationship with the gold around her neck, she laughed when asked about who the win-

ner would be in a head-to-head race.

"Are you kidding me? He's a lot faster than I am," she said. "But he's awesome to follow, we zipped through the course here and inspected it together."

SEAN KOLENKO/

FOR METRO VANCOUVER



Ashleigh Mclvor shows off her ski-cross gold medal yesterday.

Group acts to curb shortage of condoms

OLYMPICS There's a shortage of condoms in Vancouver, according to the Canadian Foundation for AIDS Research (CANFAR).

While Vancouver health officials provided 100,000 free condoms to athletes and officials of the 2010 Olympic Games, some clinics are already running out.

"When we heard about the condom shortage in Vancouver, we felt it important to respond immediately," said Kerry Whiteside, CANFAR's executive director. "Safer sex is key to preventing the spread of the HIV virus."

Free condoms have been distributed at the Olympics since the 1992 games in Barcelona. The shipment of more than 8,500 condoms from CANFAR is expected to arrive at Olympic sites today.

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Printing error botches tickets

HOCKEY A ticket printing error forced Olympic organizers to scramble to find 100 seats to yesterday's Canada-Russia men's hockey game.

Some ticket holders believed they had purchased passes to Canada's highly anticipated hockey game, when in fact the tickets they bought were for Finland's match against the Czech Republic.

VANOC officials said some fans incorrectly thought the Canada game was being played at the UBC arena, when in fact Team Canada plays all of its games at Canada Hockey Place.

SEAN KOLENKO/

FOR METRO VANCOUVER

News in brief

GOLD TIX The New Westminster man who won 20 tickets to the men's gold-medal hockey game on Sunday said he has family flying in from all over Canada for it. Michael Adams entered B.C. Lotto's Win 20 Gold Tix contest.



Michael Adams

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The Finance Department is turning to Twitter to deliver its message in bite-sized chunks of 140 characters or less. The department plans to begin tweeting when Finance Minister Jim Flaherty rises in the House of Commons to deliver his latest budget on March 4. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Canada

Sneaky snakes snagged



The saga of two missing snakes has had a happy ending at Calgary Zoo. The two large Malagasy Giant Hognose snakes were found just below the drain where they made their escape a day earlier, slithering into an opening left uncovered by a keeper who was draining a pool. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Here's how you can be as Canadian as maple syrup, lobster and beer

EH? Do you know what to do if a Canada goose attacks? No? You may not be a real Canadian. But fear not. Canada Place, which is

home to the main press centre for the Olympics, has produced a Guide To Becoming An Authentic Canadian for visitors.

The booklet explains the beaver is the official emblem of Canada: "Yes that's right, one of our highest honours went to a giant,

buck-toothed rodent."

It also urges newcomers to consume maple syrup, beer and lobster.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ignore abuse at your peril, top brass told

Senior Canadian military brass were told it was a crime to ignore allegations of prisoner abuse according to a top-secret document.

They were also told it was their duty to investigate the allegations.

The May 22, 2007, five-page memo from the Judge Advocate General for the Canadian Forces, Brig-Gen. Ken Watkin, followed a series of allegations of serious prisoner abuse.

"There is a smoking gun here to show that there was legal opinion about the obligations of Canada in the field and it clearly

states if we are transferring detainees (into harm's way) we could potentially be in violation of international laws," said NDP MP Paul Dewar.

In the memo — sent to then-chief of defence staff Gen. Rick Hillier and Lt-Gen. Michel Gauthier, now both retired — Watkin said top officials ignore abuse warnings at their peril. They may be subject to criminal liability.

The role of Watkin, the military's top lawyer, is to uphold the ethical and legal principles established by the Forces and government. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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MP Maxime Bernier says the climate debate has been stifled.

MP gets heated

CLIMATE Stephen Harper's sincerity in tackling climate change was challenged yesterday after his former foreign affairs minister assailed what he described as alarmism over global warming.

The Prime Minister's Office insisted Maxime Bernier was speaking strictly for himself.

But opposition parties pounced on the Quebec Conservative MP's comments to charge that the Harper government is finally showing its true colours as a climate

change skeptic.

In a letter to Montreal's La Presse newspaper, Bernier argued there is no scientific consensus on climate change and he applauded the Harper government for taking a go-slow approach.

"The debate over climate change, stifled for years by political correctness, has finally broken out in the media," he wrote.

He added: "We can now see that it's possible to be a 'skeptic,' or in any case to keep an open mind."

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News in brief

SECURITY Police detained a passenger on a Toronto-bound flight after a reported security breach at Montreal's airport yesterday. The man in his 40s was taken into custody and was being questioned by detectives. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Two young men have been arrested and charged in connection with a cross-burning in rural Nova Scotia on Sunday. RCMP say 20-year-old Nathan Rehberg and 19-year-old Justin Rehberg face charges of public incitement of hatred, mischief and uttering threats. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Culture of doping has come a long way: IOC

Doping in Olympic sport is more covert and small scale today than in Ben Johnson's era of the 1980s and 1990s, the head of the International Olympic Committee's medical commission says.

Dr. Arne Ljungqvist says the fading of the influence of the Cold War and pro-

found changes in the way governments view doping in sport have reduced the scope of the problem. And improvements in doping control are making it harder for doping athletes to evade detection.

"Today we have the possibilities to find the cheats," Ljungqvist, a veteran in the

The next generation of enforcement

• The IOC has ratified rules for what are known as biological passports — baseline readings of an athlete's blood and urine

— that experts can use to detect incriminating deviations in, say, levels of immature red blood cells.

battle against doping in sport, says.

To date in the Vancouver

Games, there has only been one positive drug test out of 1,741 conducted. The paucity

of positives is likely at least partially due to the fact 30 athletes caught violating doping rules in recent months weren't sent to Vancouver in the first place. The World Anti-Doping Agency announced the figure but wouldn't give details.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

McGuinty takes page from Harper

PARLIAMENT Premier Dalton McGuinty will prorogue the Ontario legislature next week.

Government officials say the premier will shut down provincial parliament for four days starting March 4 — the same day voters go to the polls in two Eastern Ontario ridings.

The break, which spans a weekend, will end March 8 with a speech from the throne that will mark the beginning of a new legislative session.

McGuinty warned earlier this month that he planned to prorogue, but wouldn't do what Prime Minister Stephen Harper did in shutting down Parliament for two months.

Recent polls suggest that Harper has been unable to quell public opposition to the shutdown despite a flurry of public events aimed at showing the government hard at work.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bawdy teachers' fate uncertain

SCHOOLS Two Manitoba high school teachers who performed a bump-and-grind routine in front of students face the possible loss of their jobs.

The male and female teacher performed something akin to a lap dance at a rally for students in Grades 9 through 12 last week at Churchill High School, although both remained fully clothed.

A one-minute video of the performance, which has been uploaded to several websites, has generated a heated debate over whether the faux lap dance was harmful to students, or was relatively tame for a generation brought up with racy music videos and the Internet.

"This type of conduct has actually crossed the line. This is, I believe, inappropriate for a school setting," Mike Babinsky, a trustee in the Winnipeg School Division, said

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News in brief

COURTS Elections Canada is appealing a court ruling that found no illegal spending by the Conservatives during the 2006 election campaign.

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Comment

Smart guy's guide to meeting women

Relating

Sofi Papamarko

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et me tell you a story about how not to pick up women. I was recently approached in the middle of a mall in the middle of the day. Romeo invaded my personal space, dropped alter-

nately flattering and suggestive comments and generally made me feel uncomfortable. Before slinking away, he gave me his phone number. (It has since been circular filed.) Without a doubt, this was the work of a pick-up artist. Pick-up artists are a subculture of men who liken dating to a sporting event. The objective? Score as many touchdowns as humanly possible. While I take issue with many of these real-life

Leisure Suit Larrys, I do have to give them a little credit. There is one thing these men are doing right. They are talking to women. But how can decent, relationship-seeking dudes meet women without being lumped in with methodical sleazebags? Here are some pointers from me and my babe friends: • Talk to women in bars, cafes, restaurants, book stores and at social events. Try not to corner us on the

street, on public transit (where there is no easy means of escape) or when we're clearly busy • Say Hi. If we respond curtly and our body language makes it obvious that we would prefer to be alone, leave • Referring to women as "fine females" won't earn you any brownie points, lady-killer • Neither will hitting on the friend of a woman who just rejected your advances • Ask open and thoughtful questions. "How are you

doing this evening?" will absolutely fail. "Nice button, I like that band, too. Have you ever seen them live?" is a conversation starter • Sexual innuendo within the first few minutes of meeting = ick • Manners are sexy (eyes up here, gents!) • Don't ask for our number right off the bat — this is something you earn • We like sincere compliments • We like it when you listen

• Do not touch us (unless we touch you first) • Flirting with a stranger you find attractive and intriguing is cool. Pouncing, serial-style, on a multitude of ladies? Not so super cool. There you have it, fellas. Free advice! And all the money you've just saved on how-to books and classes can be spent on buying dinner for a smart and pretty girl.

Sofi Papamarko is a 20-something writer based in Toronto. Her heroes include Desmond Morris and Nancy Sinatra.

Views

Many women have been left behind

Speaking Out

Wendy Cukier

We've come a long way — maybe. Reports released in the last week suggest women's economic progress in Canada has stalled. The high-profile successes of some prominent, predominantly white, professional

women may have obscured the broader trends. While some of us have moved forward, many have been left behind. A report to the UN on the Status of Canadian Women in Canada documents "systemic erosion" of women's position in recent years. In 2006, Canada was 14th among 115 countries in the World Forum's gender gap index, but by 2009 we had slipped to 25th. Citing Stats Canada, the report notes that the wage gap between men and women steadily de-

clined for three decades and then stagnated in 2000. Women employed full time earned 75 per cent of what men earned in 1980, rising to 79 per cent in 1990 and 85 per cent in 2000 and stuck there in spite of a steady increase in the proportion of women graduating from university. While these trends are troubling, the gaps for visible minority, aboriginal and disabled women are simply appalling. In addition, more than one-third of Canadian single moth-

ers live below the poverty line at the same time that the advancement of women is being touted as a centerpiece in our international development strategies. Even though the wage gap has diminished it has not disappeared and if the patterns outlined in these reports persist, the progress we have made may be in jeopardy.

Wendy Cukier is the associate dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management at Ryerson University, and the founder of Ryerson's Diversity Institute.



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U.S. school board votes to fire all educators

A Rhode Island school district has voted to fire all teachers. The Providence Journal reports that the Central Falls School Committee voted to fire every educator at Central Falls High School. Only about half its students graduate. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World

Teacher hailed as a hero

Educator tackled gunman in Colorado school parking lot

A gunman walked through a middle school parking lot taking shots at students with a hunting rifle, wounding two students, as terrified teenagers ran for their lives, before a teacher tackled him.

Littleton, Colo., police said they aren't immediately sure about what motivated 32-year-old Bruce Strong Eagle Eastwood to allegedly target Deer Creek Middle School just after classes had ended Tuesday. Eastwood has an arrest record in Colorado dating back to 1996 for menacing, assault, do-

mestic violence and driving under the influence, and he is believed to have a history of mental issues. The sheriff's office says Eastwood is a former student of the school. The gunman seemed ready to unleash more violence when a math teacher named David Benke sprang into action.

Benke confronted the gunman, tackled him and pinned him to the ground with the help of another teacher, stopping what could have been a much more violent encounter in a city all too familiar with tragic school shootings.

Littleton

- The shooting occurred in Littleton, Colo., the same city where the Columbine High School massacre happened nearly 11 years ago.

"Unfortunately he got another round off before I could grab him," Benke said. "He figured out that he wasn't going to be able to get another round chambered before I got to him so he dropped the gun and then we were kind of struggling around trying to get him subdued." The two students survived Tuesday's

shooting and one remained hospitalized. Meanwhile, Benke has become a national hero. A Facebook page called "Dr. David Benke Is A Hero!!!" quickly grew to more than 14,000 members by yesterday morning, and his actions were discussed on the floor of the state Senate.

Benke, a six-foot-five former college basketball player who oversees the school's track team, was monitoring the parking lot in the afternoon when he heard what he thought was a firecracker and began walking toward the noise.

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Whale that killed Florida trainer was also involved in 1991 Vancouver Island death

FLORIDA An Orlando SeaWorld killer whale snatched a trainer from a poolside platform yesterday in its jaws and thrashed the woman around un-

der, killing her in front of a horrified audience. It marked the third time the particular whale had been involved in a human death.

Distraught audience members were hustled out of the stadium immediately, and the park was closed. Trainer Dawn Brancheau, 40, was one of the park's most experienced. Brancheau was rubbing Tilikum after a noon-time show when the 12,000-pound whale grabbed her and pulled

her in, said Chuck Tompkins, head of animal training at all SeaWorld parks. It was not clear if she drowned or died from the thrashing. Two witnesses told the Orlando Sentinel that the whale grabbed the woman by the upper arm and tossed her around in its mouth while swimming rapidly around the tank. Brazilian tourist Joao Lucio DeCosta So-

"It was terrible. It's very difficult to see the image."

Joao Lucio DeCosta Sobrinho, who witnessed the whale underwater with the woman

said Tilikum was one of three orcas blamed for killing a trainer in 1991 after the woman lost her balance and fell in the pool at Sealand of the Pacific near Victoria.

The trainer who died in Victoria was 20-year-old Keltie Byrne. Tilikum was moved to SeaWorld in 1992, and Sealand subsequently closed down.

Tilikum was also involved in a 1999 death, when the body of a man who had sneaked by SeaWorld security was found draped over him. The man either jumped, fell or was pulled into the frigid water and died of hypothermia, though he was also bruised and scratched by Tilikum.

Last night, SeaWorld in San Diego also suspended its killer whale show.

It was not clear if

brin-

ho and his girlfriend were at an underwater viewing area when they suddenly saw a whale with a person in its mouth.

"It was terrible. It's very difficult to see the image," Sobrinho said.

A SeaWorld spokesman

Steve Huxter, who was head of Sealand's animal care and training department, said yesterday he's surprised it happened again. He says Tilikum was a well-behaved, balanced animal.

the killer whale show has been suspended at SeaWorld's San Antonio location, which is closed until the weekend.

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News in brief

MILAN An Italian court convicted three Google executives of privacy violations yesterday because they did not act quickly enough to remove an online video that showed sadistic teen bullies pummeling and

mocking an autistic boy. In the first such criminal trial of its kind, Judge Oscar Magi sentenced the three in absentia to a six-month suspended sentence and absolved them of defamation charges. A fourth defendant, charged

only with defamation, was acquitted.

BERLIN Germany's top Protestant cleric resigned yesterday after she was allegedly caught driving drunk, an incident she said had undermined her authority.

Margot Kaessmann, who was elected last October as the first woman to head Germany's Lutheran church, said she was quitting both that post and as bishop of Hannover immediately.

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Israeli Nobel nominee doesn't want to be associated with former PM

Israeli nuclear whistleblower Mordechai Vanunu has asked the Nobel Peace Prize committee to disregard his nomination for the prestigious award, a Nobel official said yesterday. Vanunu wrote that he doesn't want an award previously given to Israeli President Shimon Peres, said Geir Lundestad, the committee's permanent nonvoting secretary. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

world **11**Greece **Protest turns violent**

Police clash with protesters in Athens yesterday after violence broke out after a large protest against government austerity measures intended to fix the country's debt crisis.

Hamas leader's son: I spied for Israel

MIDDLE EAST Claims by the son of a Hamas founder yesterday that he was a long-term spy for Israel exposed a new side of the Islamic militant group's vulnerability and punched a hole in its meticulously groomed image of secrecy and discipline.

The spy affair comes at a time when Hamas is still reeling from suspicions that Hamas informants helped Israel assassinate a top Hamas operative in a Dubai hotel. The back-to-back scandals were sure to leave Hamas leaders fearful of their own and ever more painfully aware of how capable Israel is of reaching the inner circles of their organization.

At the centre of the latest affair is 32-year-old Mosab Yousef, a son of Sheik Hassan Yousef, a Hamas founder serving a six-year term in an Israeli prison.

Hamas, which overran the Gaza Strip in 2007, dismissed the younger Yousef's claims as a lie and said they were part of an Israeli attempt to weak-

Alleged hit squad tally at 26

• The spy affair comes at a time when Hamas is still smarting from the Jan. 19 assassination in Dubai of Mahmoud al-Mabhouh, suspected by Israel of procuring Iranian arms for Gaza. Yesterday,

Dubai police said at least 15 more suspects using foreign passports are wanted for the slaying of the Hamas commander, raising the alleged hit squad tally to at least 26.

en the movement. However, the man's father did not rule out that his son was an informer, contending he was blackmailed by Israeli agents as a teen.

The Israeli Haaretz daily reported yesterday that Mosab Yousef provided intelligence to Israel's Shin Bet security service for more than a decade, preventing dozens of Hamas attacks against Israelis, including suicide bombings, saving hundreds of lives. The paper said he also helped put several senior Palestinian operatives behind bars. The younger Yousef, who moved to California in 2007, declined an interview request.

His memoir, Son of Hamas, is being published in the United States next week. The author wrote on his Facebook page that his memoir "will blow your minds away, it is going to be like a tsunami in the Middle East."

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First in the world

Woman has babies years apart after ovary transplant

DENMARK When Stinne Holm Bergholdt of Denmark was diagnosed with bone cancer at age 27, she was afraid she wouldn't be able to have children. So she asked her doctors if they could remove an ovary before her treatment and transplant it back afterward to preserve her fertility.

More than six years later, Bergholdt and her husband now have two daughters, making her the first woman in the world to give birth twice after an ovary transplant. Details of her case were being published online today in the journal, Human Reproduction.

"It's hard to believe it's really true," said Bergholdt, of Odense, Denmark. "It's like a dream that I never would have thought possible a few years ago."

On the day before she started chemotherapy, doctors took 13 strips of ovarian tissue from Bergholdt's right ovary and froze them. After eight months of cancer treatment and another year of recovery, doctors reimplanted seven of the strips, or about 20 per cent of an entire ovary.

Bergholdt's ovary began working again after a few months, and she then had in-vitro fertilization to become pregnant. Nearly a year later, she gave birth to daughter Aviaja, now three. Bergholdt's treatment was paid for by the Danish health sys-



Stinne Holm Bergholdt holds her two children.

tem.

The transplant is working so well that Bergholdt is currently using birth control to avoid becoming pregnant again.

Eight children have been born worldwide to women who have had ovary transplants but no other woman has had more than one pregnancy after having a transplant.

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News in brief

AUSTRIA Governments around the world must step up their efforts to limit access to "date-rape drugs," sedatives that are secretly added to a person's drink to reduce his or her ability to resist sexual assault and remember it later, a watchdog said yesterday. Governments should

quickly adopt measures to limit illegal access to such substances, and increase public awareness of the risks of leaving food and drinks unattended at public events such as parties, the International Narcotics Control Board said.

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Corporate gold rush

Games sponsors getting good value for their buck: Experts

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

After all the handwringing in advance of the Olympics about corporate sponsorships, the Winter Games in Vancouver are turning out to be golden — and not just for Canada's athletes.

Whether it's record TV audiences, shortages of Olympic mittens, or an online torch relay contest that attracted hundreds of thousands of entrants, the Games have clearly been a winner for the companies that paid hundreds of millions to be involved.

While it's too early to say who's bringing home the most corporate medals, we asked a few marketing experts to give us their best guesses.

Here's what they said: At roughly the midpoint, the clear winner among corporate sponsors is the Olympic Media Consortium led by CTV Inc. and Rogers Media Inc., ac-

cording to all three marketing experts consulted.

Having paid a record fee of \$90 million for the broadcast rights amid a recession that promised no sure payoff, the consortium is attracting massive audiences both on TV and online.

On Monday, the Canada-U.S. men's hockey game became the most watched sports program in Canadian history, drawing 10.6 million viewers.

"Certainly the biggest winner right now is the Bay with the mittens."

Ken Wong, marketing professor

By Tuesday, some 25.2 million Canadians had tuned in to the Olympics over the course of the broadcast day. That represents three-quarters of Canada's population. That's good news for all Olympic advertisers, marketing experts added, even those whose commercials may irk or seem a bit bland.

"I'm assuming they're all doing well in terms of delivering value," said Alan Middleton, a marketing professor with York University's Schulich School of

Business. "At a minimum it means any deals they signed aren't going to require CTV to pay any rebates."

Apart from the media consortium, it's harder to measure how other Olympic sponsors are faring. The results of Olympic campaigns are often not visible for months.

"Certainly the biggest winner right now is the Bay

with the mittens," said Ken Wong, a marketing professor with Queen's University's School of Business.

The distinctive red woolen mittens worn by the Olympic torchbearers quickly flew off Hudson's Bay Company shelves. Indeed, they were out of stock until a last shipment arrived just before the start of the Games.

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Toyota boss apologizes for recalls

SAFETY Toyota CEO Akio Toyoda apologized yesterday to the U.S. Congress — and millions of American Toyota owners — for safety lapses that led to deaths and widespread recalls for accelerator and braking failures. But he disputed claims by some safety experts that the cars' electronic throttles might be at fault.

"I'm deeply sorry for any accident that Toyota drivers have experienced," said the grandson of the founder of the world's largest automaker.

Amid a phalanx of cameras, Toyoda, dressed in a dark suit, stood before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, raised his right hand and promised to tell the truth.

House committee chairman Edolphus Towns welcomed him and thanked



Toyota president and CEO Akio Toyoda, left, and Yoshimi Inaba, right, president and chief executive officer, Toyota Motor North America, are sworn-in on Capitol Hill in Washington, yesterday, prior to testifying before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee hearing on Toyota.

him for volunteering to testify.

"We're very impressed with that. It shows your commitment to safety as well," Towns said.

Toyoda pledged his company would change the way it handles consumer complaints, including seeking greater input from drivers and outside safety experts

when considering recalls. Toyota managers will also drive cars under investigation to experience potential problems first hand, he said.

Toyoda told the panel he was "absolutely confident" there was no problem with the electronics of Toyota vehicles and repeated the company's stance that sud-

den accelerations were caused by either a sticking gas pedal or a misplaced floor mat.

Toyota has recalled 8.5 million vehicles worldwide, including 270,000 in Canada, mostly to fix problems with floor mats trapping gas pedals or with pedals getting stuck.

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Russia Building for 2014 Games



Construction of Olympic facilities in the Imeretinskaya valley in Russia's Black Sea resort area continues. The mountain resort will host much of the 2014 Winter Olympics.

January surge leads to low housing supply

REAL ESTATE Canada's housing market is in tight supply after a surge in activity during January, a traditionally slow month for the industry, says real-estate giant Re/Max.

The sales organization said yesterday that in most of the 16 major markets tracked by organization there was an unusually strong amount of activity, motivated by a series of external factors.

The uptick was felt in 87.5 per cent of the markets surveyed, while the average home price appreciated 81 per cent, it found in a survey.

Home buyers have entered the market amid expectations of higher interest rates and tighter lending, as well as the introduction of Harmonized Sales Tax in British Columbia and Ontario, Re/Max said.

"Affordability is the catalyst for the vast majority of purchasers in today's housing market," said Elton Ash, the executive vice-

president of Re/Max in Western Canada.

"While home ownership is still within reach in many major centres, levels are slipping. There is a growing sense, on both sides of the fence, that the time to act is now."

Toronto is being affected the most, with a 41 per cent decline in active home listings, while Kitchener-Waterloo is down 33 per cent. Both Ottawa and Victoria are off about 30 per cent, the survey said.

Other areas of the country were less impacted, with Saskatoon down 37 per cent, while Calgary and Edmonton were both off 26 per cent.

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Business in brief

LENDING U.S. Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke told U.S. Congress yesterday that record-low interest rates are still needed to ensure that the U.S. economic recovery will last and to help cushion the sting of high unemployment.

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INTERNET Nortel Networks has abandoned plans for a competitive auction of its voice-over-Internet business unit and will work to complete a sale to Genband Inc., which is expected to offer jobs to about 2,000 of the unit's employees.

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Former Patriot fan favourite Tatupu dies

Mosi Tatupu, a fan favourite who played 13 seasons for the New England Patriots, has died. He was 54. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sports

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Jeter says he wants to stay with Yankees

Derek Jeter reiterated what every Yankees fan wanted to hear: He hopes to play in pinstripes forever.

He just doesn't want to spend time talking about his future in New York.

"I've said from Day One, this is the only organization I've ever wanted to play for, and that's still true today," Jeter said yesterday before the team's first full-squad gathering at George M. Steinbrenner Field.

"I was a Yankees fan growing up. This is where I want to be. I've never envisioned myself playing anywhere else, and hopefully I don't have to," he said.

The 35-year-old Jeter is entering the final season of a \$189 million US, 10-year deal. The All-Star shortstop said he doesn't have a set number of years in mind that he'd like to continue playing and steered around a question about whether he has a desire to be the Yankees' highest-paid player. He said this will be the final time he speaks about his contract status.

Jeter hit .334 with 18 homers and 66 RBIs in 2009, leading New York to its first World Series championship in nine years.

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Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter smiles as he addresses a tent full of media before the full squad worked out during spring training at Steinbrenner Field in Tampa, Fla., yesterday.

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Sports in brief

MLB Major League Baseball is hoping to test minor leaguers for human growth hormone this year. A blood test for HGH has been in existence since the 2004 Athens Olympics, but baseball officials have said until now that its validity was not universally accepted by the scientific community.

SOCCER Esteban Cambiasso scored the winning goal yesterday to give Inter Milan a 2-1 victory over Chelsea in the round-of-16 match in the Champions League.

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Roberto Luongo of Canada makes a save during the game between Russia and Canada yesterday. Canada won 7-3.

Gold one step closer

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In the dying seconds of Canada's men's hockey game against Russia, the crowd stood on its feet chanting, "We want gold!"

After a 7-3 victory over their historic rivals — who they've bumped out of the tournament — they're now only two games away from that dream.

It's the game Canada wishes it had played against the United States on Sunday — aggressive and fast, with fewer turnovers, more break-aways, seamless passes, great goaltending and — most importantly — more goals.

"It feels real good to be back in the tournament," said coach Mike Babcock. "I think we're getting better. When I came here after the U.S. game, I didn't think many people believed that."

Babcock said the goal scored by Ryan Getzlaf in the first two minutes of the game set the team on the right track.

"We knew we were in for a tough battle," he said. "We had the momentum of our crowd and we got off to a good start. We feel fortunate to be moving on."

The expected showdown between Russia's Alexander Ovechkin and Canada's Sidney Crosby — arguably the two best players in the world — didn't amount to much as neither player scored a goal.

"We always talk about the Canadian-Russia rivalry," said Crosby. "We feel it more than ever in this building."

As for hometown hero, goalie Roberto Luongo — he did let in three goals but to the fans it may as well have been a shut out as they chanted his name or jumped to their feet every time he touched the puck.

"It was an electric atmosphere," he said of the crowd. "It gets you energized."

The semi-finals take place on Friday. If Canada wins, they move on to the gold medal game on Sunday night. If they lose, they'll be fighting for bronze.

Hughes goes out on a high note

LONG-TRACK Clara Hughes capped her remarkable career with an Olympic bronze medal.

The 37-year-old long-track speedskater from Glen Sutton, Que., was third in the women's 5,000 metres at the Vancouver Olympics yesterday, an event she won four years ago in Turin.

She finished in six minutes 55.73 seconds. The time stood as a track record before it was broken

twice, first by silver medalist Stephanie Beckert of Germany and then by gold medalist Martina Sablikova of the Czech Republic.

Sablikova won in 6:50.91, followed by Hughes Beckert in 6:51.39.

The medal is the sixth of Hughes' career, putting her in a tie with Winnipeg's Cindy Klassen as Canada's most decorated



Olympian.

Hughes, who carried the Canadian flag into B.C. Place at the opening ceremonies, said she came into the Games thinking physical and mental excellence rather than medals or owning the podium.

"I did that in the last race of my life on ice and it was so enjoyable," Hughes told CTV.

"I'm just really proud of the process I went through to bring me to this place."

Klassen finished 12th in 7:22.09 at the Richmond Olympic Oval while Ottawa's Kristina Groves was sixth in 7:04.57.

"The beginning felt pretty good, pretty easy and I thought 'Hmmm, maybe I can hold this for a while,'" said Klassen. "But my legs got to me at the end there."

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Individual large hill/10km cross country (Sportsnet).

2 p.m. curling

Semifinals: Norway vs. Switzerland, and Canada vs. Sweden (TSN, Sportsnet).

3 p.m. Women's hockey

Gold medal game Canada vs. U.S. (CTV).

5 p.m. Figure skating

Women's free gold medal (TSN).

6 p.m. Freestyle skiing

Men's aerials gold medal (Sportsnet, OLN).

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Medal Count

NATION	G	S	B	TOTAL
U.S.	7	9	12	28
Germany	7	10	7	24
Norway	6	6	6	18
Canada	7	6	2	15
Russia	3	4	6	13
South Korea	5	4	1	10
Austria	4	3	3	10
France	2	3	5	10
Switzerland	6	0	2	8
China	4	2	2	8
Sweden	4	2	2	8

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 - Complete day-by-day event schedule
 - Vancouver managing editor Fernando Carneiro's daily column (metronews.ca/columns)
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Kaillie Humphries and Heather Moyse steer Canada 1 to a new course record yesterday during the women's bobsled

Canadian women win gold, silver in bobsled

HISTORY Canadians have finished 1-2 in the Olympic women's bobsled.

Canada had never won an Olympic medal in women's bobsled. Now it has two.

Kaillie Humphries of Calgary and Heather Moyse of Summerside, P.E.I., drove Canada 1 to the gold in the final run, edging teammates Helen Upperton of

Calgary and Shelley-Ann Brown of Pickering, Ont., in the Canada 2 sled.

Humphries' winning time was three minutes 32.28 seconds over the four runs. Upperton's time was 3:33.13.

The USA 2 sled, with Erin Pac and Elana Mayes aboard, won bronze in 3:33.40.

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Short-track team gets upgrade

SPEEDSKATING The Canadian women's short-track team went to silver from bronze in a matter of seconds at the Winter Olympics.

Canada finished third in the women's 3,000-metre relay, but was quickly upgraded to silver when the winning South Koreans were disqualified for a rules violation.

Tania Vicent of Laval, Que., Kalyna Roberge of St-Etienne-de-Lauzon, Que., Jessica Gregg of Edmonton and Marianne St-Gelais of St-Felicien, Que., finished in a time of four

minutes 9.137 seconds.

China won in a world-record time of 4:06.610 while the United States got bumped to third from fourth. They finished in 4:14.081.

It's the second medal for the Canadian short-track team at these Games after St-Gelais won a silver in the women's 500 metres.

Canadian women have won a medal in the relay at every Olympics since the event was introduced in 1992. That was the last time they took gold.

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Dutch speedskater to apologize

Dutch speedskater Sven Kramer will apologize and give a small gift to an Olympic volunteer he pushed aside after he was disqualified from the 10,000-race he had been favoured to win. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

**Vancouver Games**

Battle-hardened women ready

After much preparation, Canada looks to topple U.S. and capture gold

Ryan Hilderman and most of his Calgary Royals midget club will be watching Canada and the U.S. play for Olympic women's hockey gold today.

"I'll be glued to the TV," the Royals head coach said yesterday from Calgary.

That boys between the ages of 15 and 18 would be interested in women's hockey is at the centre of this game because they've played a major role in preparing the Canadian women to battle the Americans for gold.

Being prepared is one thing, execution is another.

But the Canadian women are a battle-hardened team.

In their 55-game schedule since August, 30 of them were against Alberta Midget Hockey League teams, who provided a level of competition comparable to the American women.

"All the games we've



Canada's Hayley Wickenheiser, centre, handles the puck against Finland's Michelle Karvinen, right, and Jenni Hiirikoski during the women's semifinal game on Monday.

played has brought us to a position where we're down a goal, up a goal, we know how to play," captain Hayley Wickenheiser said.

The women went 20-10 in that league, where games against Canada counted for points in their standings.

The U.S. women played some informal games against Minnesota high school boys teams, but were unable to get in as many games against males as Canada did.

In terms of preparation, the Canadian women have nothing eating at their confidence heading into today's final at Canada Hockey Place.

"You look back at everything we've done and we know we're ready for this game," defenceman Becky Kellar said.

"There's nothing I think we haven't done that we needed to do. We're ready. We're ready for this moment."

The Americans feel they are, too.

They have the confidence that comes from beating Canada in the last two games that really mattered in their sport, the finals of the 2008 and 2009 world championships.

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Pressure time for Canada's Martin in sudden-death semi

CURLING The Olympic curling round robin is over. Now the real pressure begins.

Despite a perfect 9-0 record, Kevin Martin's hopes of a gold medal could be derailed with a single loss in today's sudden-death semifinal.

The Edmonton skip will face off against fourth-place Sweden while Norway and Switzerland will play in the other semi. The winners will play for the gold medal, while the losers take to the ice for bronze.

Martin, who lost the 2002 gold medal game to Pal Trulsen of Norway, isn't feeling any extra pressure now that it's crunch time.

"I think the pressure has been there all week," Martin said. "Like any other

Women's action

- Canada's Cheryl Bernard, who steamrolled the competition on her way to an 8-1 round-robin record at the Vancouver Games, will return to the ice today for a semifinal date with two-time Olympic silver medalist Mirjam Ott of Switzerland.

sport in the Olympics, you get to the medal round and you really to play well. I feel really good. I feel comfortable."

Unlike most major curling events, the Olympic tournament uses a sudden-death playoff format rather than the more common Page system.

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'I put the foot to the floor and nothing responded'

WHISTLER From pumped-up ecstasy two days ago, the mood of Canada's cross-country skiing men shifted to fatigue and agony yesterday as they finished a disappointing seventh in the Olympic relay race.

A saddened Devon Kershaw, 27, of Sudbury, Ont., seemed on fire Monday in the team sprint, after finishing fourth — Canada's best Olympic men's result yet — alongside Alex Harvey, 21 of St-Ferreol-les-Neiges, Que.

But yesterday lactic acid fatigue and pain seized his limbs and Kershaw fell apart after a promising first lap of the four-by-10 kilometre race.

"I put the foot to the floor and nothing responded," he said, looking almost as pale as the snow coating the Callaghan Valley ski tracks just west of the Whistler Mountain resort.

"It was the complete opposite to how I felt in the team sprint. Monday was one of the best races of my life and this was one of the worst races of my life."

George Grey, the 30-year-old veteran from Rossland, B.C., came in seventh.

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The first Iranian woman to compete at a Winter Olympics has completed the first run of the Alpine Giant Slalom event. Marjan Kalhor finished in one minute 36.87 seconds yesterday, the slowest of the 68 starters who completed the fogbound, snowy course. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Day 13



Top: Canada's Joannie Rochette practises for the women's figure skating free program yesterday. Above: Supporters carry giant cow bells in Whistler. Right: Fans of the U.S. react during the Men's quarter final Hockey game between USA and Switzerland.

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Top: Swiss goalie Jonas Hiller knocks the puck into his own net after time had expired in the second period against the USA. Above: Tina Maze of Slovenia competes in the Women's Giant Slalom. Left: Sweden's Anders Soedergren, Marcus Hellner, Johan Olsson and Daniel Richardsson celebrate the gold in the Men's 4x10k relay.

Hockey to make it on to national TV

U.S. NBC says it will broadcast the U.S. Olympic men's hockey team's next game live across all time zones.

The network aired the Americans' 2-0 victory over Switzerland yesterday live in the Eastern and Central time zones.

It was on a one-hour tape delay in the Mountain time zone and two-hour delay for the West Coast.

It wasn't immediately clear why the network didn't show the game live across the entire United States.

The United States will play the winner of the Czech Republic-Finland game on Friday in a semifinal at the Vancouver Games.

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Hockey rout drew 7.4 million viewers: CTV

Team Canada's hockey drubbing of Germany was the most-watched Olympic event on television Tuesday with an average audience of 7.4 million viewers, according to CTV. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Pravda takes shots at Winter Games

First it was the British newspapers hammering the Vancouver Olympics for a variety of reasons including the inclement weather and the death of a Georgian luger.

Now, Pravda Online has posted a damning critique of the city — and Canada as a whole — on its English-language website.

Slotted amid racy personal ads and outlandish story teasers — including one about a sea monster and one about “shocking dresses of Russian stars” illustrated with a picture of a butt cheek peeking out of a garment — author Timothy Bancroft-Hinchey writes that “Vancouver is not fit to hold the Winter Olympics.”

The apparent editorial, under the headline Vancouver: Mutton Dressed as Lamb, laced into the city and the country in no uncertain terms.

“Far from being a question of sour grapes, Russian commentators were already expressing their reservations as to the integrity of the Vancouver lobby being able to host

“The abject cruelty shown by Canadian soldiers in international conflicts is scantily referred to, as indeed is the utter incapacity of this county to host a major international event, due to its inferiority complex, born of a trauma being the skinny and weakling bro to a beefy United States ...”

Pravda Online

the Olympic Games weeks before the start,” Bancroft-Hinchey wrote in the article dated Feb. 19.

One of his main beefs was related to a decision by Olympic officials to pull aside Russian cross-country skier Natalia Korosteleva between the quarter-finals and semifinals in the sprint on Feb. 17 and ask her to go to the doping control centre, where athletes give urine and blood samples.

Korosteleva argued the request was unreasonable as there was less than half an hour between the two races.

She said she wouldn't have made it back to her race on time if she had gone.

That wasn't the focus of

Bancroft-Hinchey's piece, however.

“Why her?” he asked before proceeding to eviscerate Canada.

“The abject cruelty shown by Canadian soldiers in international conflicts is scantily referred to, as indeed is the utter incapacity of this county to host a major international event, due to its inferiority complex, born of a trauma being the skinny and weakling bro to a beefy United States and a colonial outpost to the United Kingdom, whose Queen smiles happily from Canadian postage stamps.

“Maybe it is this which makes the Canadians so ... retentive, or cowardly.”

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Vancouver Games in brief

SECURITY Think it's difficult to bring nail-clippers on a plane these days? Try getting an electronic starter's pistol through airport security. A cross between a hammer drill and a

Star Trek phaser, the device, which debuted at the Vancouver Games, is going a long way in clearing up the check-in and customs troubles of race starters in a variety of summer

and winter sports. The old pistols used to come from the Swiss army and fire blanks, while the new ones look more like something off a toy store shelf.

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Dutch skater to stick with coach

BLUNDER Sven Kramer's trust in his coach can be measured in victories.

“Three times world champion, four times European champion, so many World Cups and Olympic gold in the 5,000 metres,” he said.

Kramer was not about to get rid of Gerard Kemkers for one blunder — even if it was one of the biggest in Olympic history.

“The past years were simply too good to drop someone just like that,” he said on the morning after Kemkers sent him into the wrong lane as he seemed headed to victory in the 10,000. The error was so rare it defied belief.

“Such things can happen to the best of us, but also to the biggest amateurs,” Kramer said yesterday.

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Figure skating Weir says think before you speak



U.S. figure skater Johnny Weir speaks during a press conference yesterday at the 2010 Olympics in Vancouver. Weir said he wants two broadcasters who made derogatory comments about him during the Olympics to think twice before they speak in the future — but he's not looking for any apologies. He found the comments by two broadcasters on French-language RDS “offensive.”

Wanted: Men's bobsled drivers

DECISION Welcome to Canada's men's bobsled team. Drivers wanted.

That may be the sign hanging on the squad's front door after the Vancouver Olympics wrap up Sunday. Greybeard Pierre Lueders is wrapping up his fifth Games, and Lyndon Rush says it may be time to spend more time with his wife and two daughters.

“I haven't decided what I'm going to do, but my gut

tells me I'm done,” Rush said after a training run at the Whistler Sliding Centre. “I've got two kids and a wife. My responsibility in life is to be a father and a husband before other things.”

The 29-year-old from Humboldt, Sask., will finish his first Olympics Saturday, driving with Lascelles Brown, Chris Le Bihan and Dave Bissett in the four-man event.

After that, he says he

will sit down with wife, Krysta, his high school sweetheart whom he has known since Grade 3, and hash it out.

Lueders, the most decorated slider in Canadian history, was dogged by retirement questions after he won silver in the two-man in Turin in 2006, and again during these Games as well.

If he comes back, it will be a struggle. He would be 43 in 2014, long in the tooth for the sport.

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Skiers in lap of luxury

Freestyle skiers are sitting pretty at the Vancouver Olympics.

That's because the top three get to watch the competition from puffy chairs at the bottom of the ski hill. Drop out of medal position and you lose your seat.

In most freestyle competitions, medal contenders gather at the bottom of the run and stand — some for up to an hour or more — to await their fate. But thanks to the sport's governing body, those in the hunt for Olympic gold can chill out in comfort on chairs made by the Fatboy company.

So millions saw Alexandre Bilodeau leap out of the hard-to-miss white marshmallow-like beanbags after capturing Canada's first gold as a host nation.

The chairs were created in 2000 by Finnish designer Jukka Setälä. Priced at \$298, they're a staple of the Games. There's even a "Fatboy Bungalow" in the Olympic village, where guests can try them.



Jennifer Heil of Spruce Grove, Alta., left, pauses for a moment as Hannah Kearney, centre, celebrates her gold medal win with teammate Shannon Bahrke following the women's moguls finals at the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympic Games on Feb. 13.

FIS race director Joe Fitzgerald said the chairs, which were used at the 2006 Olympics in Turin, solve many problems.

"I used to have the skiers standing up, just standing there, one, two and three," said Fitzgerald. "It adds to the whole excitement, and

they want to congratulate each other. And when they were standing up, they used to move around a lot. Some of them jump out of the chairs, but at least they're sitting down, and it's much easier to take a (picture) of them."

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Dutch bobsled crew withdraws from Games

Edwin van Calker and the Dutch four-man bobsled crew formally withdrew from Olympic's yesterday, the third nation to pull athletes rather than have them race on the lightning-fast Whistler ice. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Vancouver Games

What might have been

With 3 more votes, Korea would have hosted 2010 Games

If it had gone his way, Jin Sun Kim wouldn't have been sitting in the lobby restaurant of a downtown Vancouver hotel this week.

Instead, he would be helping run the 2010 Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea.

Seven years ago, the South Korean city in Gangwon province lost the bid to host the 2010 Winter Olympics by three votes to Vancouver.

At the end of the first round of voting, Pyeongchang had 11 more votes than Vancouver, but in the second round, almost all of those IOC mem-

bers who had voted in the first round for Salzburg gave their nod to Canada.

"I am here in Vancouver with a special emotion," said Kim, Gangwon's governor, through a translator in an interview with The Canadian Press.

"It could have been different, the Games would be held in Pyeongchang right now, so in that sense I sort of envy Vancouver."

There were a host of reasons cited at the time for the narrow finish in the second round of voting, including strategic voting by some International Olympic Committee mem-

bers, who were holding out for a European city to win the 2012 Summer Games. Those eventually went to London.

Vancouver's Games are now nearing the end, the first few days marred with the death of an athlete, various operational glitches and miserable weather.

But Kim said what Vancouver has delivered is largely what he remembers it promised all those years ago.

"Vancouver presented a very good bid," he said.

"I still hope and wish

(that) these 2010 Games in Vancouver will make a great success because Vancouver's success will have a great impact on future Games."

Of the three cities that were in the running for 2010, Vancouver's bid consistently came away with the highest marks, with the only consistent criticism being the distance between Vancouver and Whistler.

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Norway's Haavard Vad Petersson, left, and Torger Nergaard sweep in a game against Sweden in men's curling at the Vancouver 2010 Olympics. The pants worn by the Norwegian men have become a fashion hit at these Winter Games.

Norwegians turn up volume with loud pants

FASHION The loudest trousers at the Vancouver Olympics are getting even louder.

The U.S. company behind the famously tacky pants on Norway's curling team, with their dazzling red, white and blue diamonds reflecting off the rink, says sales have skyrocketed since the curlers' unorthodox garb first made an appearance last week.

"We're scrambling to

get shipments out and to get more pants sewn right now," says Larry Jackson, CEO of Loudmouth Golf.

The Norwegians turned heads when they strutted onto the ice wearing the Loudmouth Golf Dixie pants — the bottom half of their official Olympic uniform — during practice on the opening weekend of the Games. They also have a second pair that's a little quieter, without the blue.

Even Norway's monarch, King Harald, who was in Vancouver to watch the team compete Tuesday, now has his very own pair.

Jackson says the seven-year-old company has seen sales triple during the past week.

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Canadian Guillaume Bastille races in a short track heat on Day 2 of the 2010 Winter Olympics at Pacific Coliseum.

Athletes have special relationship with skates

SPEEDSKATING Guillaume Bastille is more than just a little particular about his short-track speedskates — he's downright obsessed.

Bastille, from Riviere-du-Loup, Que., packed an astonishing eight pairs of blades to come to Vancouver. He had to sheepishly send most of them back with his parents, but will still be agonizing throughout the Games about the ones he kept.

He's an extreme case, but the fact is most short-track competitors have what verges on an unhealthy relationship with their skates.

"It's more important for me than for other skaters," said first-time Olympian

Bastille, who says he can feel every little misalignment. "When you don't have the technique, and the way you're skating is not perfect, I need my blade to make up for that."

The Canadian team has a man who understands its members' skate neuroses, and that's skate technician Jeff Scholten.

At their home base at Montreal's Maurice Richard arena, Scholten has a windowless workshop filled with all manner of nuts, bolts, stones and tools. He has a special vice-like tool that will bend blades ever so slightly, and another dial that will give him an exact read on the degree of the bend.

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A tropical view of the Winter Games

Small contingent

• Only eight nations in Latin America and the Caribbean have athletes entered: Along with Mexico, Argentina, and Brazil, they come from the Cayman Islands, Chile, Colom-

bia, Jamaica, and Peru. Despite 10 per cent of the world's population, Latin America makes up less than one per cent of the athletes in Vancouver.

ish was 26th in slalom in Sarajevo in 1984.

Brazil has an alpine skier who grew up in Italy, racing in the Dolomites near the Austrian border.

Argentina is a family affair. Of its seven competitors, three are from the same family.

"Some of these sports are too different from

what we are used to seeing here," said Marceley Xavier, a 30-year-old salesman, speaking near a newspaper stand in Sao Paulo's financial district. "I'm not going out of my way to watch them. I'd rather stick with football if I can."

About 7,400 kilometres away on Acapulco Bay,

where thatched cabanas line the beach and Jet Skis break the silence, Alejandro Solis said he hardly knew the Olympics were going on.

"Which games, like gambling or casinos?" he replied, a bit baffled. Prompted with a mention of "Vancouver and Canada," he broke into a sheepish smile.

"Really, I'd say there is very minimum interest here. Obviously there's no snow. What is it this morning — 30 degrees? People are more interested in water skiing and football," he said.

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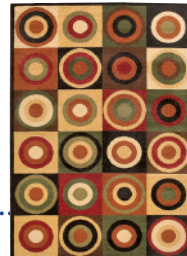
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Outerwear rules, bold prints make a strong statement and plus size-models re-surface

KENYA HUNT
Metro World News

Unique

The crazy cool show for Topshop's experimental line was part Where the Wild Things Are with models wearing fuzzy eyebrows, deer antlers and furry animal ears, and part uniform dressing with army green looks and shearling aviator-style jackets. The best part about the collection was the outerwear: a shearling, hooded, navy coat, for example, felt timelessly eccentric.

Mark Fast

So much for all the hoopla about plus-size models. As of now, Mark Fast seems to be the only designer who is using them in any meaningful way, rather than just relegating curvy girls to trend-of-the-month status.

The Canadian once again cast fleshier bodies alongside thin ones in his show. The body types were diverse in an organic way. And the clothes?

His trademark body-hugging cobwebby knits were there. But this time he also incorporated draping inspired by the Art Deco period and shapes that moved away from the body. While Fast deserves many cool points for making samples in a vari-

ety of sizes, he should have spent some time thinking about the undergarment problem. The visible panty lines on some models were distracting.

Matthew Williamson

Change is good. Fashion's favorite nomad is evolving out of the luxe boho globetrotter look that he's become so famous for (because one can only churn out but so many interpretations of a flowy, ethnic inspired dress). This collection was all civilized tweeds, ruffles and prim

trouser suits. He didn't abandon his formula completely, though. The bright, jewel toned color palette and fun, festive party dresses at the

end of the show were all quintessential Williamson.

Mary Katrantzou

The designer has earned a cult-following for her trademark use of bold digital prints on figure-flattering dresses. But like many designers who create a strong, singular look, she was in danger of becoming a one-trick pony. She evolved her dresses to include more asymmetrical silhouettes, transparency, tiered ruffles and shiny embellishments.



Left: Canadian designer Mark Fast once again cast fleshier bodies alongside thin ones in his recent London Fashion Week show.

Right: Mary Katrantzou took her bold prints to new dimensions with asymmetrical silhouettes, tiered ruffles and shiny embellishments.

MARK FAST

MARY KATRANTZOU



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Twiggy has criticised designers for continuing to use real fur at London Fashion Week, reports The Daily Mail. The model said she was disappointed in designers that persisted in using fur from animals kept in 'terrible and inhumane conditions.' **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Bling ski helmets

Dareece Saca, a statuesque former computer programmer with a long blond ponytail, grew up skiing without ever wearing a helmet.

She joked to a friend, "I'll never wear a helmet unless it's crystallized like a Judith Leiber bag."

When she started skiing in the Lake Tahoe area with a helmet covered in sparkling crystals attached one-by-one by hand, people kept stopping her to compliment her, and soon her business Ice Couture was born.

Ice Couture's crystal-covered helmets will be sold in time for next season, with prices ranging from around \$200 for simpler designs to up to \$2,000 for Swarovski crystal helmets. The bling designs include pink camouflage and a skull and crossbones.

"Skiing is becoming more fashionable," she said. "Everyone has designer goggles. Especially for kids, you want them to want to wear their helmets."

If you get attention for wearing a helmet, it's fun for them. It's an accessory."

Besides stepping up safety features, mainstream helmet makers are coming up with high-tech lighter options, snuggler fits, unique designs to fit customers' personal style, and a better fit with goggles to encourage riders to wear their helmets instead of leaving them in the car.

Helmets with polycarbonate shells can shave weight and bulk.

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Helmet covers that make the hard shells look more like stuffed animals are also still selling.

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Dareece Saca of Ice Couture from Sacramento, Calif., with her helmets at the SIA Snow Show in Denver.

More Stella for Gap

Gap will unveil its second Stella McCartney for GapKids and babyGap collection for spring/summer 2010 next month.

The collection is meant to capture the essence of a perfect childhood summer wardrobe with paired-down essentials as well as playful, distinctive pieces.

Expect to see nautical influences with stripes and indigo shades as well as bright, block colours and pop prints.

For girls, the collection features the "Lily" eyelet drop-waist dress and soft-pink "Anna" ruffled blouse.

For boys, key pieces include a striped

voile collar-less shirt and white roll-up shorts.

For babies, the must-have is a grey linen collared romper suit or cotton smocked blouse with matching bloomer.

Other notables include: For babies, the

"Moses" merino onesie in navy and cream sailor stripes. For girls, the "Bea" navy cotton ruf-

fle blouse worn with a cream skinny jean. For boys, the "Beckett" summer jacket in a mix-matched blue and white stripe and table-cloth check.

An oversized anchor motif offers a signature Stella touch, printed on sweaters for babies and boys and on a girl's knitted cotton sleeveless dress.

The Stella McCartney for GapKids and babyGap collections will be available at the Robson Street store.

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Stella McCartney's GapKids spring line hits stores March 25



Left: Stella McCartney for GapKids Bea top, \$54, and skinny zip jeans, \$68.

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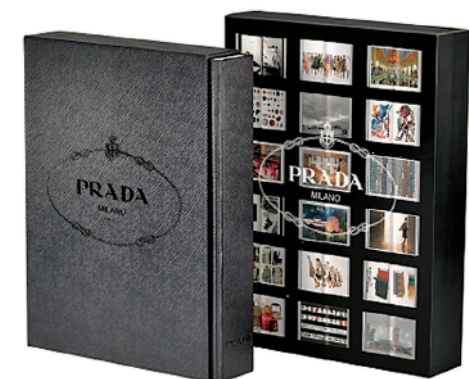
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It also features photo-essays by renowned photographers Brigitte Lacombe and Albert Watson, an overview of all Miuccia Prada's collections with thumbnail pictures of 3,885 different "looks" and collages of the most influential shoe and bags.

The book, which hit shelves just this month, is available at Chapters and Indigo stores across the country and online at chapters.indigo.ca for \$162.50. **METRO NEWS SERVICE**

Tarnishing be gone!

Tips to revive your old baubles

DENISE SURETTE
for Metro Canada



JEWELRY Repairing tarnished jewelry is often a chore that gets overlooked, but to bring your jewelry back to its former glory isn't hard, you just need the right tools.

Claude Abitan, from The Beadery in Toronto, says the best way to clean up your old jewelry is by using a cloth made specifically for gold and silver, and not bother with chemicals and cleaners.

"Each time when you where something take the cloth and wipe them down," says Abitan. "Perfume can cause tarnish."

The cloth can be found at jewelry and department stores for less than \$10.

There are various brand names to choose from, but make sure you buy one that is made from soft flannel and contains polishing ingredients and tarnish retardants built into the cloth.

Abitan says the best way to care for your jewelry is by preventing tarnishing with an easy solution - an anti-tarnish strip. It is a piece of paper that sits in your jewelry box for six months before it needs to be replaced.

"The air makes jewelry dull," says Abitan. The strip absorbs components from the air that cause tarnishing. The strips, made by 3M, called Tarnishield, can be bought at music and department stores for less than \$3.



The best way to clean up old jewelry is to use a cloth made specifically for gold and silver.

English aristocratic

Smith's upper-class glamour at Fashion Week

English style ambassador Paul Smith put the classy into upper-class this week, unveiling an autumn-winter collection that evoked country houses, outdoor pursuits and just a touch of urban decadence.

Tweed caps, riding capes and chunky woolens were all on display at Smith's show, one of the big draws of London Fashion Week, alongside svelte dresses and statement coats.

"It's very much about the English aristocracy, and the naughty daughter who likes to sneak off to London and go to rock concerts," Smith told The Associated Press backstage at the show, held amid the old-school elegance of central London's Claridge's Hotel.

Smith — best known for classic menswear with a cheeky twist and accessories with his signature multicolored stripes — offered a womenswear collection that gave traditional fabrics a retro-chic twist and mixed earthy tones, black and grey with bold splashes of colour.

The designer said the theme of the show was "the naughty debutante." Pieces ranged from slim-line elegance — a long scarlet coat with martial gold buttons, a

sleek little black dress — to playful thrift-shop retro. There was a multicolored crochet dress, pink knitwear with a vintage feel, and A-line dresses reminiscent of the 1950s — one in lavender, another black with poppy red, worn with cropped cardigans.

"I'm a British designer," said Smith, who was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II in 2000 for his contribution to the nation's fashion industry. "It's got a lot of the English countryside about it, but in a very modern way."



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Designer Paul Smith showcased a glamorous collection he dubbed "the naughty debutante" this week at London Fashion Week.

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Anna Wintour is headed to the Magazine Editors' Hall of Fame.

The American Society of Magazine Editors announced Monday that Wintour would be honoured at its annual gala in April.

"Throughout her career, Anna Wintour has exemplified the highest standards of taste, in both journalism and fashion," said Sid Holt, ASME's chief executive, in a statement. "She has defined style for a generation of magazine readers and come to epitomize the essential qualities of editorial leadership."

Vogue is the standard-bearer of the high-fashion glossy magazines; its 2009 average circulation was 1,269,640. Wintour was named editor-in-chief in 1988.

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Papa Voight loving time with daughter Angelina

Jon Voight recently raved to UsMagazine.com about his "holiday" with his daughter Angelina Jolie, her partner Brad Pitt and their six children.

"It's nice to have something that's positive!" Voight, 71, told Us of getting together Sunday in Venice with his once-estranged daughter. **USMAGAZINE.COM**

Entertainment

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Guest gigs

Jude Law, left, and Zack Galifianakis are on tap to host Saturday Night Live next month. Galifianakis will do the honours on March 6, and Jude Law will host March 13.

EW.COM

Barber's a True Believer

Matthew Barber

Album: True Believer

Label: Outside

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈⓈ

THERE'S NO REASON Matthew Barber shouldn't be getting the same kind of attention as Jason Collett or Joel Plaskett. The Toronto folk singer can write passionate Canadiana with the best of them and there's more proof of that on his new disc, *True Believer*. It's loaded with soft, acoustic numbers, but it's the more upbeat full band numbers where the artist really leaves his mark. Comeback Baby is an especially good listen, with it's subtle banjo, loud cymbal crashes and rootsy vocals.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada



Toronto folk singer Matthew Barber's new album *True Believer* is right up there with the works of Canadian stalwarts such as Jason Collett and Joel Plaskett, Metro reviewer Bryan Borzykowski says.

AlbumReviews

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Johnny Cash

Album: *Album: American VI: Ain't No Grave*

Label: American Recordings/Lost Highway

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈⓈⓈ

IT MAY BE TABOO to slight the work of a national icon posthumously yet country legend Johnny Cash's American series of albums provided diminishing returns. Strange covers with few interesting twists prevailed and in retrospect, only the first two truly bolster his extensive catalogue. Still, even those albums lack the passion, haunting aura and serenity of *Ain't No Grave*. Recorded after Cash had envisioned/reconciled his mortality, these 10 pseudo-religious, almost Gothic tracks glow with minimalist brilliance. Featuring his crumbling baritone supported by little more than guitar and piano, it's beautifully crushing — a bittersweet cap to an enviable, incredible career.

Keith Carman/for Metro Canada

Joey McIntyre

Album: *Here We Go*

Label: Universal

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

IT'S HARD TO tell who Joey McIntyre is targeting with this EP. The New Kid On the Block sound a lot like Britney Spears and Lady Gaga here — not his voice, but the tunes could have found their way on any pop record. It's hard to see how his 30-something fans would enjoy these electro club tunes, even though the songs are better than anything on the last NKOTB disc.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Lightspeed Champion

Album: *Life is Sweet! Nice To Meet You*

Label: Domino/Outside

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

DEVONTE HYNES has come a long way since his days busting out aggressive noise pop. As *Lightspeed Champion* the U.K.-based artist deals with lush, layered sounds and heartfelt lyrics. His latest pushes him in further in that direction, to mixed results. Opener *Dead Head Blues* is a bland, dramatic Coldplay-like tune, but the quirky Queen-like piano track *The Big Guns* of

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Highsmith is one of the most interesting things he's done. Might be best to download the better tracks than buy the entire disc.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Jenny Whiteley

Album: *Forgive or Forget*

Label: Black Hen

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈⓈ

JENNY WHITELEY has one of the sweetest voices in Canadian alt-country and she's got two Juno awards to prove it. Steve Dawson is one of the best practitioners of guitar in the land. The

Vancouver-based session man is also one of the respected roots/Americana producer's in the continent (which explains why U.S. performers like Kelly Joe Phelps keep coming north to record). When the two of them combine in the studio, they always seem to take each other's craft to new places. Whiteley takes a retro twang turn on songs like *Cold Cold Kisses* and *Raining In My Heart*. But she still maintains her own distinctive voice on haunting tracks like *Truth* and *The Eyes of the Dead*, *Kind Mirror* and *There Was Love*.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

Shout Out Louds

Album: *Work*

Label: Merge

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈⓈ

STOCK-HOLM'S SHOUT OUT LOUDS

have always prided themselves on melancholy as much as they have melody. Album number three finds the five-piece returning with a batch of songs that are similar but even more earnest than 2007's *Our Ill Wills*. They've certainly found their soul mate in producer Phil Ek (Fleet Foxes, The Shins) who uses his signature "crisp and clean" style to benefit the band's warm, string-laden tones. And while they have finally determined their sound, the hooks are slightly less beguiling than the first two albums. Still, there's plenty of poetic lament here for any mope to partake in, and few do it better than Shout Out Louds. *Cam Lindsay/for Metro Canada*

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Oprah Winfrey

Oprah BFF will miss talk show

FRIENDS Oprah Winfrey fans who think of the daytime television queen as a friend aren't the only ones preparing for withdrawal when her show goes off the air next year. Winfrey's real best friend says it will be a loss for her, too.

"I said to Oprah, 'I'm having a hard time. I'm not ready,'" said Winfrey's BFF, Gayle King.

"But, you know, I am ready for her. She makes the best decision for herself. I totally understand why she's doing it. That said, I can't imagine daytime TV without her."

As Winfrey makes plans to end her reign after 25 seasons, King is devoting more time to a different medium.

She hosts on Oprah Radio on Sirius XM a daily show that was recently extended from one hour to two hours.

King likes to keep an open dialogue with her listeners on a variety of subjects ranging from international news to pop culture.

Instead of heated debates, she takes a kinder, gentler approach while not shying away from disagreements.

"I don't believe you have to annoy people to get them to listen or for them to like you," she said. "I'm not sitting here trying to be liked ... but I do like to engage in conversation with other people, and I think it's OK to agree to disagree without being nasty to each other."

King has known Winfrey for more than 25 years, and they used to work together in TV news. King says she'll have a to-be-determined role on Winfrey's cable channel, OWN: The Oprah Winfrey Network.

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Frankie Muniz, former star of sitcom *Malcolm in the Middle* and two-part Hollywood franchise Agent Cody Banks, is the drummer for unsigned Arizona rock act You Hang Up. **PEOPLE.COM**

Rehab stint prompts break

CBS is temporarily halting production of television's top-rated comedy, *Two and a Half Men*, following news from Charlie Sheen's publicist that the actor is in rehab and is taking a break from the show.

Publicist Stan Rosenfield announced Tuesday that Sheen has entered a rehab facility "as a preventative measure." He asked for privacy for Sheen, 44, but did not specify why the embattled actor was seeking treatment.

Sheen's bosses expressed support for the actor in a statement that said they were temporarily stopping production of the show.

"CBS, Warner Bros. Television and (Executive Pro-

ducer) Chuck Lorre support Charlie Sheen in his decision today to begin voluntary inpatient care at a treatment centre," the statement said. "We wish him nothing but the best as he deals with this personal matter."

The statement offered no timetable for when the show would resume taping.

The decision comes roughly two months after Sheen was arrested after a fight with his wife at his home in Aspen, Colorado. Prosecutors later charged the actor with felony menacing and misdemeanor charges of third-degree assault and criminal mischief. The most serious



Charlie Sheen

charge carries a maximum three-year prison term.

Sheen has not entered a plea and is due back in court on March 15.

Assistant District Attorney Arnold Mordkin said Tuesday he hadn't heard

that Sheen had entered rehab and couldn't discuss what bearing it might have on the case.

Sheen's wife, Brooke, is also in rehab seeking treatment for an undisclosed reason, her attorney Yale Galanter said Monday. She is still asking that the charges be dismissed, he said.

Galanter and Rosenfield confirmed Monday that Los Angeles child protective services workers visited the actor and the couple's infant sons over the weekend. Galanter and Rosenfield said it was a routine, previously scheduled visit related to the Aspen court case.

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	570	580	42	MM	MOD Live at the Base (CC)	Holmes Inspection (CC)	Holmes Inspection (CC)	Holmes Inspection (CC)	Holmes on Homes (CC)	House			House
	600	564	43	H&G	House	Manhunters	Manhunters: Fugitive Task	Manhunters	(:01) The First 48 (CC)	(:01) The First 48 (CC)			Manhunters
	615	520	44	A&E	Manhunters	Manhunters: Fugitive Task	Manhunters	Manhunters	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	Mysteries			Mysteries
	628	584	45	SPKE	(6:00) TNA Wrestling (N)	Police Women of Maricopa	LA Ink "Training Day" (N)	Cleaverville (2007, Suspense) Ever Carradine, (CC)	Crash & Burn (CC)	Law Order			Law Order
	521	560	46	SHO	Relic Hunter (CC)	Law & Order "Atonement"	Without a Trace "Copy Cat"	Real Housewives of New York	Exciting tornado chases.	MythBusters			MythBusters
cable variety	620	523	47	BVO	(6:00) The Rival (2006) (CC)	ET Canada	What	Real Housewives of New York	Exciting tornado chases.	Runway			
	601	562	48	SLC	Re-Vamped (CC)	Daily Planet (CC)	Ancient Discoveries	Ancestors	Nostradamus Effect	Air-Crane!			
	520	505	49	DLS	MythBusters (CC)	Ancient Discoveries	Ancestors	Ancestors	Nostradamus Effect	Air-Crane!			
	522	506	50	HIS	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	InnerSpace	Stargate SG-1 "48 Hours"	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Voyager (CC)			
	627	528	51	SPC	Lost "Lighthouse" (N) (CC)	InnerSpace	Stargate SG-1 "48 Hours"	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Voyager (CC)	Lopez Tonight			
	294	505	52	TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Lopez Tonight	Name Is Earl	Name Is Earl	Sex and-City	Sex and-City	Lopez Tonight	
	619	525	53	TROP	Reality	Whatever	Family Guy	Family Guy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	70x Show	King	Comeback
	603	561	54	FN	Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Restaurant Makeover (CC)	Diner, Drive-In	Unwrapped	Extreme Cuisine, Jeff Corwin			Ace of Cakes
	-	-	55	AMC	(5:00) Forrest Gump ***	(:15) Forrest Gump *** (1994, Drama) Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise.	Corner Gas	Name Is Earl	The Simpsons	South Park	Martin	Sarah	Bodyguard
	626	547	56	COM	Air Force	22 Minutes	Cheri *** (2009) Michelle Pfeiffer, (CC)	Bella *** (2006) Eduardo Verastegui, (CC)	Taking, Stage	Made (CC)			Daily Show
320	621	57	CEN	(6:30) The Building (2009)	MTV Live	Movie Night	The Real World (CC)	True Heart *** (1997) Kirsten Dunst, Zachery Ty Bryan, (CC)	Paid Program			Sin Nombre	
581	566	58	MTV	Taking, Stage	Made (CC)	Recreat. Eden	Dheeyan Ghar	Sadabahr	Connections	Desi Rhythms		MTV Live	
261	394	59	MUL	(6:00) The Affair of the Necklace ** (2001)	Vancouver	Shaktimaan	Dheeyan Ghar	Sadabahr	Connections	Desi Rhythms		Patrol World	

critics' corner

XXI Winter Olympics

Hardware is handed out tonight in women's figure skating, in which teenagers Rachael Flatt and Mirai Nagasu represent the United States' best hope for a medal after Sasha Cohen crashed and burned last month at the U.S. Nationals. Of course, with reigning world champion Kim Yu-Na of South Korea in the field, gold may be hard to come by. In freestyle skiing, Americans Ryan St. Onge and Jeret "Speedy" Peterson look formidable in men's aeriels. 8 PM on NBC



The Deep End

In the season finale, "White Lies, Black Ties," Cliff (Billy Zane) tries to find a way back into Susan's (Nicole Ari Parker) life as they prepare to host a charity gala, which has all the associates scrambling to close their cases. Addy and Malcolm (Tina Majorino, Mehcad Brooks) try to find a way around a dishonest insurance company, and Dylan and Beth (Matt Long, Leah Pipes) represent a youngster in trouble over a text message. 8 PM on ABC

New show tracks Mountie training

POLICING A new TV series chronicling the on- and off-duty lives of Mounties has debuted in Saskatchewan.

The first episode of *Courage in Red* aired Tuesday night on SCN, the Saskatchewan government-owned television network.

The 13-part series "gives viewers a rare, behind-the-scenes look at the training, preparation and challenges the RCMP engage in everyday to maintain law and order in Canada," SCN said in a news release.

"These are people like you and I, they're brothers and sisters and mothers and fathers, people who go home at the end of the day to a family and you don't always get to hang up your belt," said Jessica Webb, series producer with JenCor Entertainment Inc.

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Dine out not dead

Fear not, dear locals, Dine Out Vancouver is not dead. It's just been moved to a post-Olympics date. Dine Out 2010 will run from April 26 to May 6. Visit tourismvancouver.com for updates. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Urban Foodie

★★★★★ INSPIRED; ★★★★ VERY GOOD; ★★★ PALATABLE; ★★ HO-HUM; ★ NEVER AGAIN

Dining out

WINES On March 7, Cru Restaurant (1459 W. Broadway) will present a winemaker's dinner featuring the wines of B.C.'s Painted Rock winery. Four courses, including wine pairings, for \$85 per person. Call 604-677-4111 for reservations.

FOUR COURSES On Mar. 8, DB Bistro Moderne presents the next instalment of their winemaker's dinners. Four courses, including wine pairings, for \$75 per person. Full menu and details at db-bistro.ca. Reservations required. **METRO VANCOUVER**

New releases

We all know about ice wine, but ice cider? Created by Quebec native Francois Pouliot, the cider is made through the alcoholic fermentation of the juice of frozen, pressed apples. Neige ice cider is a rich amber with the fresh snap of apple, and a hint of vanilla in the finish. Serve cold with nutty cheeses or milky desserts. Taste it at Quebec House until the end of the Games or pick up a bottle at your local BCLS for \$29.99.



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- Check out metronews.ca/globalpeasant for a recipe of Lamb Burgers with Mint + Feta Yogurt Sauce



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Waterfront fine dining in Vancouver has always presented as a bit of an oxymoron.

In many cases, it seems the better the view — the worse the meal. The Teahouse in Stanley Park was, to my mind, no exception to that rule for many years, during which it was also briefly known as The Sequoia Grill. Then last year, the current owners cottoned on that the concept,



Beef and portobello burger with poutine

the name, the menu — in short, everything — were all bunk and could use a wee bit of refurbishment.

The current menu has more of a bistro feel to it, with steak frites, mussels

and poutine equally at home with sablefish, Qualicum scallops and some old favourites that survived the purge, notably the carrot soup with fennel and crème fraîche

(\$7). The last impressed all of us with its rich, fragrant base, as did a side of mac and cheese (\$6) that was baked with gruyère and parmigiano.

The croque madame (\$15) was tasty, if overpriced, but the similarly-priced AAA burger, with portobello and caramelized onions, was worth every penny, especially when sided with the classic poutine (we subbed out the regular fries for an extra \$3). The restaurant's strengths are definitely with its comfort dishes — burger, steak, mussels, etc. — and it does those very well. It's definitely now a much better match to the spectacular views, and hopefully, will continue to improve and evolve.

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Joan Rivers blasted Victoria Beckham for her spending habits, telling Closer magazine she should be less extravagant in the current economic climate. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

No pulse, no breathing

NO SKIN PIGMENTATION A recording of the moment paramedics first announced Michael Jackson's death has been found online, reports femalefirst.co.uk. The voice on the tape — which is believed to feature a Los Angeles Fire Department medic calling ahead to the UCLA Hospital in Santa Monica — could even be used as new evidence in the trial against the star's personal physician Dr. Conrad Murray who has been charged with involuntary manslaughter. The voice is

heard saying, "Patient is Michael Jackson, the pop star singer. No pulse, no breathing. Unresponsive. Tried to resuscitate him. Unsuccessful. We've done everything we can. We should be there in five minutes. It doesn't look good. It doesn't look good." If the recording is genuine then it would be crucial to the trial into Michael's death because it contradicts the timeline of events previously stated by Murray who said the 50-year-old

music legend still had a pulse and was warm when he put him in the ambulance.

If the tape is used, prosecutors would argue Murray, 56, actually left Michael for more than an hour after giving him the powerful sedative Propofol, making his actions careless.

The tape, which emerged on the ambulance workers' web forum, is thought to be the first time the announcement was made that Jackson was dead on June 25 last year, although authorities do not yet know whether it is genuine.

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Bidding 'Ciao' to Lake Como

AND 'BENVENUTO' TO THE BECKHAM BLOOD George Clooney is reportedly looking to give up his 30-room villa in Laglio, Italy, and he already has a buyer lined up: David Beckham.

The British football star is said to have fallen for the estate after visiting last year.

"I have fallen in love with the beautiful countryside," Beckham reportedly told friends, according to the Daily Mail. "It's peaceful, quiet and near

Milan. It would be great for the family."

Clooney is said to be selling because he's fed up with attention from locals and paparazzi at the property. The asking price is said to be around \$30.8 million US.

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Love is a two-way street

AND I THINK THIS ONE MIGHT BE A DEAD END, CHICKIE Lindsay Lohan has her heart set on getting back together with Samantha Ronson, she tells the Sun.

"We love each other. We might reconcile the relationship," she says. "It's changed, so who's to say we

won't be together again?" And if Lohan can't have Ronson, she says she'll probably be off women for good.

"If I wasn't with Samantha, I would probably be with a boy next. She's the only woman I've been attracted to."

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CelebTweets

Today, **LINDSAY LOHAN** is considering a move across the Atlantic, **JUSTIN BIEBER** is keeping up his education while doing publicity in Europe, **CARRIE FISHER** gets deep, and **JESSICA SIMPSON** is considering a new pet.

@lindsaylohan Moving to the UK is in my near future* better dj's/music and Paris is just a Chunnel away!

@justinbieber School field trip this morning! Went to the Arc de Triomphe...learned it took 30 yrs to construct and Napoleon started it. Fyi.

@CarrieFisher Do living rooms eventually sicken & die?

@JessicaSimpson I'm thinking about getting a pet pig. Does this mean I'll have to give up pork?



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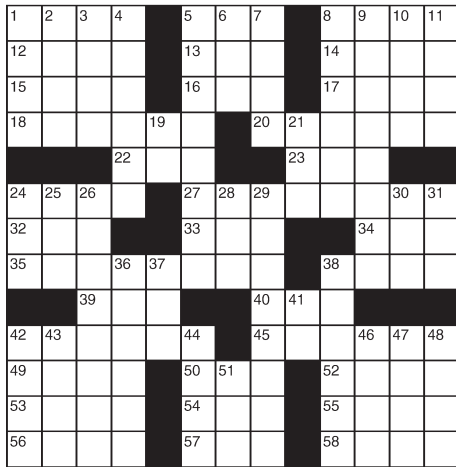
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16 Family
17 Being, to Brutus
18 Cookbook entry
20 Snacks (on)
22 Pinch
23 List-ending abbr.
24 Building block name
27 Fairway shot
32 Tramcar contents
33 Marseille monarch
34 Fish eggs
35 Inventor, often

38 Pack cargo
39 Crafty
40 Chinese tea
42 "Thanks —!"
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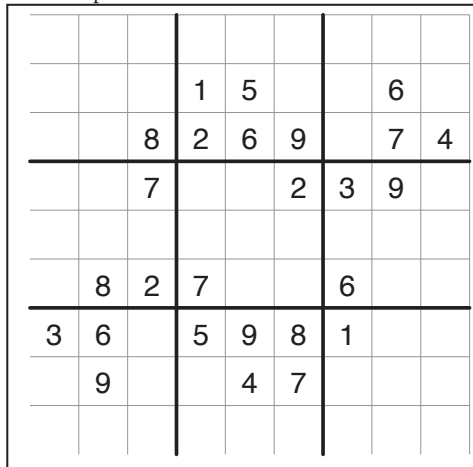
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30 Bill's partner
31 Chop
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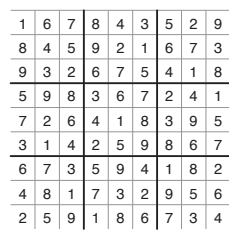
Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Metro Recipe of the Day



Pan-Roasted Sweet Potato & Vegetable Medley

Submitted by Tammy Roy, St. Thomas, Ont.

INGREDIENTS:

1/3 cup fresh shucked corn
1/3 cup asparagus, chopped
1/3 cup mushrooms, sliced
1/3 cup sweet potato, diced
1/2 shallot, diced
1/3 cup diced tomato
1 tsp garlic, minced
1/4 cup chicken stock
2 tbsp olive oil
salt and pepper

METHOD:

1. Roast sweet potato in oven at 350°F for 20 minutes beforehand. Then season the potatoes with salt and pepper and place

on a greased cooking sheet in oven for another 10 minutes at 350°F before adding to the vegetable mixture.
2. Sauté shallots and garlic in 1 tbsp olive oil.
3. Add another tbsp olive oil to the garlic and shallots, if necessary, and all remaining vegetables, including sweet potatoes.
4. Sauté everything for 5 minutes.
5. Add stock and reduce for 2 minutes and serve.

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MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Take time out from your busy schedule to offer a word of praise or advice to someone who is struggling.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Don't be afraid to put your point of view across today, even if you are not entirely sure that you've got it right.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
For some strange reason you appear to be taking too much notice of what other people say at the moment.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
Although you can see that the changes now taking place in your life will be for the best, you still wish that certain things could remain the same.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
If you are having negative thoughts about someone then you must bring them under control.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Be fair in all your dealings over the next few days. If you take even the smallest of liberties you will find that someone is ready to question your integrity.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You can be remarkably persuasive when you want to be and you can easily convince those in positions of authority to back your latest good idea with cash.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
You may not be able to explain why you feel wary of someone but you know better than to ignore what you inner voice tells you.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
The best way to get rid of a bad habit is to replace it with a good one, so find something you really like doing and focus on that.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
Life is what you make of it, and if you make an effort to be cheerful today you will find plenty of things to enjoy.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Your analytical nature, plus your way with words, can lead to some pretty sharp observations and you won't hesitate to call it as you see it today.

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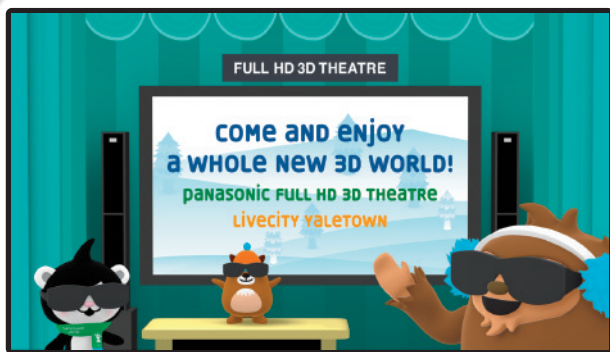
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